5/8/71

Howard and Dick,

Got the Brown piece from RB and many good clips, 5/2 anf 4 notes from HR yesterday.

Dick, isn't that pretty far-out stuff for guns? What Latin American revolutions today, or at the time of the writing? And what anglos to give out propaganda in any country where each would be so conspicuous? Interesting that he uses so old a shot of Hemming. What, aside from $$$, could his purposes have been?

Howard, I have misunderstood you on when your school ended. Yesterday I amiled you a fat envelope there. However, we can go back to my original suggestion. I still will be in Wilmington for a hearing 5/14. I'll be going up the morning of 5/13. I'll be during that day at my mother's, PO4-2645. I'll spend the night at my sister's. I've forgotten the phone. It is under Sam Handelman, 2710 Thompson Pl. I'll return from the court, as last time. This time the court is in a different building, same area, hearing at 10 a.m. (Superior Court, in the municipal building, which may be its name, 10 and King Sts, case Weisberg v Delmar News. Unless Lil changes her mind, we'll return from there, as of our discussion yesterday. It is also possible she may want to go to see my sister, in suburban Phila. If we do, I'll phone you. As of present arrangements, I think as last time is best, you bus to Wil and return with us.

Gary may also come next weekend. He is not yet certain. No problem is he does.

Mary knows more about those tapes than I. She has a copy, knows the man who made, etc. Because of the shadow, I've done naught. However, what was done is not journalistically exceptional.

Quiet your bowels on Kaplan. I've lived through and survived many of thes things, ywo contemporaneously. The Times will do something about this one, I'm su re. My letter to the editor shook him up (Jerry spoke to him independently the day he got it and xx he told Jerry he had to do something. Personally, he is an honorable man. But on any event, it is not new, we have survived them, if with hurt, and a greater hazard is our own zanies. But thanks for the emotion. And, I think that with a book as powerful as this one, you ought expect more. I do. If you want to do something (and you were not responsible for this), write them a very brief, toguht but polite letter immediately saying whatever you want, but not going into Kaplan's past, which I have more than adequately. Two of the obvious are the total misrepresentation of the substance and doctrine of the book and the fact that rather than a review it is an editorial personal attack that happens to be invalid and a futile effort at Kaplan's self-justification of his own dubious record (American Scholar). Short letters have a chance. I think if they got enough, it may in itself have a value. You should have mine by now, directly or through RB. I'm confused from the great emotional burdens of the oast two weeks and the intense trip to NYC, where I did much in a short, sleepless time. I think some of the side ploys are working, but they'll have to wait. No time.

I'm going to have to limit the things I do and get to writing. Finaly determination on what can't be made for a while.

Best,